THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION NO.9803 of 2003

05.8.2005

Between

Kings Club, Kangeshwar, Nizamabad rep. By its President

A.Rajender Reddy.

… Petitioner

AND

1. The Superintendent of Police, Nizamabad

and two others

… Respondents

ORDER:

King Club, a society statedly formed for providing culture and recreation facility to its members consisting of professionals such as Advocates, doctors, engineers, businessmen, employees etc. Alleging that on 11.5.2003 the respondents 2 and 3 visited the club and instructed to close down the card room or else face the consequences, the present writ petition is filed seeking suitable instructions to the respondents not to interfere with the lawful activities of the petitioner club.

A Division Bench of this Court in **Twin Cities Cinema Cultural Centre v. Commissioner of Police, A.P., Hyderabad** while clarifying the judgment of the learned Single Judge, disposed of the matter in the following manner.

> …The police authorities cannot obstruct the writ petitioner-Club from conducting card room where the members and guests of the writ petitioner's cultural centre are allowed to play the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game). At the same time, we make it clear that the police is always at liberty to enter the premises and check as to whether the cultural center of the Club is conducting card room where the members and guests of petitioner's cultural center are playing the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game) for the purpose of verification. If they receive any intimation, the police may enter the club and verify the same and proceed further if the members and guests of writ petitioner's cultural centre play other than the game of rummy with stakes/syndicate (thirteen card game). The police authorities are also at liberty to proceed with the cases, which are already registered. The writ appeal is disposed of accordingly.

Following the same, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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(V.V.S.RAO,J)

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